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is organizing an international interdisciplinary **conference on**

THE CONCEPT OF TIME AND SPACE IN EUROPEAN FOLKLORE

Ljubljana, September 6-9, 2007

Thursday, September 6, 2007

9.00-9.45 registration

9.45-10.00 opening address

General concepts of space and time

Chair: Mihály Hoppál

10.00-10.30 Emily Lyle, The Indo-European ritual year as a two-phase cycle including a period of reversal evidenced in the Twelve Days at midwinter and the Easter triduum

10.30-11.00 Francisco Vaz da Silva, The space/time coordinates of the otherworld in European cosmology

11.00-11.30 coffee break

Crossing the borders – mediating between the two worlds

Chair: Francisco Vaz da Silva

11.30-12.00 Mirjam Mencej, Circular movement in European concept of space and time

12.00-12.30 Éva Pócs, Time and space concepts in European werewolf-mythologies
12.30-15.00 lunch break

Devolutionary time and the powers of liminality
Chair: Mare Kõiva

15.00-15.30 Jūratė Šlekonytė, Ages of man in Lithuanian folklore
15.30-16.00 Anette Kehnel, Times of suffering - spaces of humiliation. The "powers of weakness" in European inauguration rituals

18.00 Official opening of the conference in the conference centre Center Evropa at Dalmatinova street 4, Ljubljana

Friday, September 7, 2007

Symbolism of cyclic time
Chair: Éva Pócs

9.00-9.30 Zmago Šmitek, Travels and spaces of »Green George«: Comparative approach
9.30-10.00 Ivan Lozica, The concept of time in carnival
10.00-10.30 Radvilė Racėnaitė, Concept of inverse world in Lithuanian folk narratives
10.30-11.00 coffee break

Interactions of time and space
Chair: Ivan Lozica

11.00-11.30 Mare Kõiva, Symbolic time and place
11.30-12.00 Andrey Moroz, Time and space in folk legends about saints
12.00-12.30 Lina Būgienė, Concept of sacred time and space in Lithuanian belief legends
12.30-15.00 lunch break

Representations of duration
Chair: Zmago Šmitek

15.00-15.30 Monika Kropelj, Mythical beings that personify days and milestones in people's yearly, work, and life cycles
15.30-16.00 Ljupčo Risteski, Linear / historical time in the traditional culture of Macedonians
16.00-16.30 Daiva Šeškauskaitė, Calendar dates referring to the annual

development of plants in Lithuanian folklore

16.30-17.00 coffee break

Beginnings and repetition

Chair: Annette Kehnel

17.00-17.30 Lubomir Konečný, The myth of the spring New Year and the time-space of the calendar year as „imago mundi“ in Romanesque painting of the Rotunda in Znojmo (Moravia).

17.30-18.00 Ivan Marija Hrovatin, The beginning of time, from Chaos to Cosmos in the space of settlement in Slovenia

Saturday, September 8, 2007

Mythical aspects of space/time

Chair: Emily Lyle

9.00-9.30 Andrej Pleterski, Spacetime in mythological landscape and within the house and objects

9.30-10.00 Vitomir Belaj, Trefoil structures in the territory of Croatia

10.00-10.30 Joseph Bláha, Mythic and social range of Olomouc (Moravia) from protohistoric age to the end of Middle-Ages

10.30-11.00 coffee break

Sacral spaces

Chair: Lina Būgienė

11.00-11.30 Olga Belova, The sacral places in the poly-ethnic cultural space

11.30-12.00 Katja Hrobat, Categories of space in the image of Baba

12.00-12.30 Karen Bek-Pedersen, Weaving swords and rolling heads

12.30-15.00 lunch break

Language, narrations

Chair: Olga Belova

15.00-15.30 Pieter Plas, Folk discourse and the spatio-temporal anchoring of local identity: examples from early South Slavic ethnography

15.30-16.00 Kaarina Koski, Narrative time-spaces in belief legends

16.00-16.30 Tanja Petrović, Concepts of time and space – universal or culture-specific? Evidence from folklore

16.30-17.00 coffee break

Closing session

Chair: Mirjam Mencej

17.00-17.30 Miha Pintarič, What may have been the experience of time in Europe 700-900 years ago, and what comes out if you cross a monk with money

17.30-18.00 Mihály Hoppál, Weltanschauung, belief system and everyday knowledge revisited

21.00 Slovenian folk revival music. A concert at Metelkova (Hostel Celica)

Sunday, September 9, 2007

10.00 Guided tour around Ljubljana's inner town

The conference is organized in cooperation with the Representation of the European Commission in Slovenia.



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